

## SECRETARY OF STATE



- As the state's chief elections officer, administers and enforces election laws and keeps records of all campaign and lobbyist disclosure statements required under the Political Reform Act.
- Files official documents relating to corporations, trademarks, the Uniform Commercial Code, notaries public, and limited partnerships.
- Collects and preserves historically valuable papers and artifacts in the California State Archives.
- Serves as an ex-officio member of the California State World Trade Commission.



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I have been involved with helping hundreds of fellow Californians who have been threatened and/or arrested by Supermarkets for registering people to vote. Malls consider it a crime to gather signatures for statewide initiatives on property *open to the public*. Police and judges become corrupted when they side with Shopping Malls (who falsely arrest and cause imprisonment of citizen voter registrars on bogus *trespass* charges). These violations have been overlooked in the past. The California election process has been chilled. If elected, I will correct these Elections Code violations, and return *Freedom of Speech* to the California Constitution.



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Like you and millions of Californians, I am outraged at the bribery and influence peddling in state politics. Lobbyists give about \$175 million yearly to influence California lawmakers. Corporations like Enron fuel our elections with huge campaign contributions. This corruption led to electrical deregulation, costing us billions. Moreover, *corruption degrades our democratic rights* as citizens. I am running for Secretary of State because California needs an elections officer not beholden to corporations and political machines, an *independent watchdog who will defend our democracy*. To make politicians accountable, I will *investigate and recommend prosecution* of anyone who has given or accepted a bribe in

exchange for political influence. I accept no corporate campaign contributions and will fight to replace the undemocratic system of private funding with *voluntary public financing of elections*, already successfully used in several states. I will institute *corporate charter reform* to prevent corporations from trampling on citizen rights, worker rights, and our environment. For fairness, maximum participation, and full democracy in our elections, I will fight for *Instant Runoff Voting and Proportional Representation*. I was educated in California's public schools and earned a doctorate in American history from Northwestern University. I am a small business owner, former Peace Corps Volunteer, author, and member of the National Writers Union Local 3, Oakland Tenants Union and Sierra Club. Over fifty Greens already hold elective office in California. Join with us on November 5. Together we can take a decisive step toward *clean elections, social justice, and authentic democracy*.

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when Proposition 34 was sneaked onto the 2000 ballot by opponents of real campaign finance reform. According to the League of Women Voters, "Proposition 34 is full of loopholes and is designed to fool the voters into thinking they are getting reform." It also canceled much of P208. Money rules? Who benefits from the prohibition of U.S. Congress candidate statements in this pamphlet—perhaps only well-financed candidates? If elected I will: Support ballot statements for *all* elected offices. Not repeat the abuse of power of this office to meddle with the democratic process. Make sure interested parties like the *League of Women Voters*, *Common Cause* and *AARP* are informed in time to respond to sneak attacks like Proposition 34. I have been an engineer, now I am a teacher/technology coordinator.

Can't tell the well-financed candidates apart? Perhaps they all serve the same corporations that fund their campaigns. Don't waste your vote on the one who only appears to be the lesser of two evils. If the major campaign contributors are getting their money's worth, where does that put you? We Californians have experienced the impact of big money in politics—hence: deregulation of a monopoly resulting in higher electric bills. Is water next? Electioneering 2000—*only Florida*? We want less money in the political process, that's why year after year we vote for campaign finance reform, but to no avail. Proposition 208 (which I helped pass in 1996) was on the verge of passing constitutional muster



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to protect women who were being harassed for seeking family planning services, including abortion. Did you know that extremists proposed a law that would have denied any woman who had an abortion the right to vote? I am proud to be supported by Planned Parenthood of California and the California Nurses Association. As *Secretary of State*, I will protect every citizen's right to vote as well as the privacy of their voter records. I will fight for campaign finance reform and to ensure that all Californians have the opportunity to cast a vote that counts. I will make sure my Voting Modernization Act is implemented to upgrade voting technology so that "chads" are no longer a part of our electoral system. I respectfully request your vote for Secretary of State.

United States Senator Dianne Feinstein supports me for Secretary of State because of my work modernizing voting systems, cutting paperwork to vote-by-mail, raising penalties for voter fraud and pushing stronger protections for voters' privacy rights. I am pleased that my record has earned me the support of so many California leaders. As *Assembly Majority Leader*, I pushed for more campaign finance disclosure and more local voter outreach. The Secretary of State administers an important program, "Safe at Home," to protect victims of domestic violence. Women who need to get away from their abuser can use the Secretary of State's office to keep the location of their home secret. This year, I worked to expand the program



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voting technology—so every vote is accurately counted. I will use the Internet and other technologies to make it easier for you to obtain information about candidates, ballot initiatives and campaign contributors—so you can make informed decisions when you vote. I will work to increase the number of citizens who vote in California by making it easier and more convenient for people to register—so every person who is eligible to vote can participate in our democracy. And to make sure your vote matters in presidential elections, I will petition network television news programs so they no longer project the "winner" before our polls close in California. I have prepared a plan called "Government for the People" that details what I'll do as your Secretary of State. For a copy, please call 916-498-1499 or visit [www.olberg2002.com](http://www.olberg2002.com).

California's Secretary of State is the person responsible for making sure our elections are fair and free of fraud. With a Ph.D. in constitutional law and experience as a businessman, educator and California legislator, I will passionately defend your right to vote and protect the integrity of our election system. I wrote California's law requiring students to learn about America's Declaration of Independence and our U.S. Constitution—a love for democracy that will guide my work as your Secretary of State. I will be a steady and responsible guardian of California's election system and dedicate myself to 100% participation and 0% fraud. I will aggressively prosecute voter fraud and work to modernize California's

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I am a retired Registered Nurse with certificates in Public Health and ICU, CCU, MICU, ER, and IV Therapy. I have well over 40 years of direct patient care in hospitals, offices, clinics and Home Health Care plus medical service evaluation, research and recommendations using medical records and Utilization Review procedures. I know how to quickly assess situations, take instant remedial action and teach individuals and families to cope with illness under extreme stress. I have served as Secretary for a statewide organization. As your Secretary of State, I would increase eligible voter participation through easy to understand election pamphlets (and candidate guidelines). By including

a detailed explanation of political party positions and principles along with photos and statements from all candidates, I would empower voters to make voting decisions using the election pamphlet ignoring media coverage (favoring incumbents and major party candidates) and expensive advertising beyond the reach of the average person concerned about their country. I support the "None of the Above" option in all elections, same day (honor system) voter registration and permanent absentee voting status and a vastly strengthened local library system through the State Library. Local libraries need increased support to have fully informed voters. Individuals, political parties or clearly and openly acknowledged special interest membership groups (but *not* corporations or unions) should be free to give personal financial contributions to any candidate without limits, (provided such contributions and expenditures are noted and listed in the voter pamphlet).

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There is nothing more fundamental to freedom than fair elections. Citizens of the United States should not accept less than what our government demands of emerging democracies around the world, the highest standards of equality, fairness, and accuracy in the election process. In the last state primary election only 25% of eligible voters voted, demonstrating a lack of faith and interest in present-day politics. My priority is to create long-overdue election/campaign reforms to guarantee *every vote counts* and every candidate's voice is heard. This includes: implementing by January 2004 the most accurate, up-to-date voting equipment in *all* communities; mandatory election holidays;

elimination of special interest (PAC) campaign contributions; designated equal time over the public airwaves for all candidates on the ballot; and a shift toward public sponsorship of campaigns and proportional representation. I would also institute a youth education program to teach students about the importance of participating in the political process and inspire them to do so. I am proud to represent the Natural Law Party's profound principles and solution-based platform, which have their roots in the scientific understanding that all the rich diversity of culture, religion, race and gender are expressions of an underlying field of unity. As California Secretary of State I will be a true civil servant, not a career politician, and I will openly and justly serve all the people of California.

